

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI
JACKSON DIVISION**

**MISSISSIPPI STATE CONFERENCE OF THE
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT
OF COLORED PEOPLE, THOMAS PLUNKETT, ROD
WOULLARD, and HOLLIS WATKINS, on behalf of themselves
and all others similarly situated**

PLAINTIFFS

VS.

CIVIL ACTION NO. 3:11-cv-159TSL-EGJ-LG-MTP

**HALEY BARBOUR, in his official capacity as
Governor of the State of Mississippi, JIM HOOD,
in his official capacity as Attorney General of the
State of Mississippi, and DELBERT HOSEMANN,
in his official capacity as Secretary of State of the
State of Mississippi, as members of the State Board
of Election Commissioners; THE MISSISSIPPI
REPUBLICAN PARTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE;
THE MISSISSIPPI DEMOCRATIC PARTY EXECUTIVE
COMMITTEE; and CONNIE COCHRAN, in her official
capacity as Chairman of the Hinds County, Mississippi
Board of Election Commissioners, on behalf of herself
and all others similarly situated**

DEFENDANTS

AND

**APPORTIONMENT AND ELECTIONS COMMITTEE
OF THE MISSISSIPPI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES;
MISSISSIPPI STATE SENATE DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS
AND STATE DEMOCRATIC SENATORS, in their individual
capacities; TERRY C. BURTON, SIDNEY BONDURANT,
BECKY CURRIE, and MARY ANN STEVENS**

INTERVENORS

NOTICE OF APPEAL

COME NOW the plaintiffs, the Mississippi State Conference of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People ("NAACP"), Thomas Plunkett, Rod Woullard, and Hollis Watkins, on behalf of themselves and all others similarly situated, pursuant to 28 U. S. C. §§ 1253

and 2284 and U. S. Sup. Ct. Rule 18, and hereby file their Notice of Appeal and take an interlocutory appeal to the United States Supreme Court from the Memorandum Opinion and Order entered by the three-judge District Court for the Southern District of Mississippi on May 16, 2011 denying plaintiffs' motion for a preliminary injunction and finding that plaintiffs' claim was not ripe for adjudication and the Order entered by the three-judge District Court for the Southern District of Mississippi on May 26, 2011 and filed for record on May 27, 2011 denying plaintiffs' motion to alter or amend the Memorandum Opinion and Order and plaintiffs' motion for relief from the Memorandum Opinion and Order.

This the 7th day of June, 2011.

Respectfully submitted,
MISSISSIPPI STATE CONFERENCE OF THE
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE,
THOMAS PLUNKETT, ROD WOULLARD,
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Carroll Rhodes, do hereby certify that I have this date mailed a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing Notice of Appeal to the following listed counsel and that I filed the original Notice of Appeal with the Clerk of this Court who electronically filed the foregoing Notice of Appeal using the ECF system which sent notification of such filing to the following:

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